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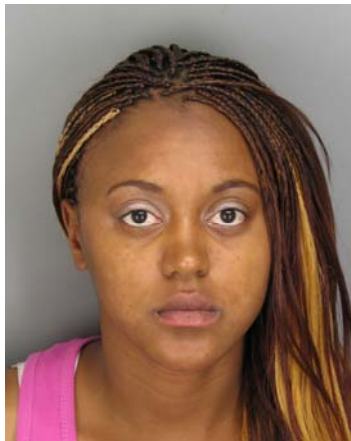
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PRESS RELEASE

Date/Time of Release: Friday, August 10, 2007 10 a.m.
Date/Time of Occurrence: July 1, 2006 through August 1, 2007
Nature of Call: Identity Theft Arrest
Location of Call: Wells Fargo Banks, Northern California and Nevada
Case Number: 07-11273
Released by: Sgt. Brian Whigam (530) 889-7856

SHERIFF EDWARD N. BONNER RELEASES THE FOLLOWING:



Jasmine C. Carmichael

The Placer County Sheriff's Department, working in conjunction with Wells Fargo Bank fraud investigators, arrested a 21-year-old Sacramento woman Thursday night for passing counterfeit checks exceeding \$150,000.

Jasmine C. Carmichael was arrested by Placer County detectives at a State Parole Office in Sacramento after an investigation revealed that more than \$150,000.00 in counterfeit checks were passed on accounts involving Wells Fargo customers. The checks were passed at Wells Fargo branches from San Francisco to Reno, Nevada. The fraud involved a complex operation that included changing customers' information on their own accounts at Wells Fargo.

Victims have been identified from San Francisco to Sacramento. Wells Fargo fraud investigators became aware of the fraud and contacted the Placer County Sheriff's Department, resulting in Carmichael's arrest. She is currently in custody at the Placer County Jail on charges of identity theft, burglary, forgery and a parole violation. She is being held without bail.

Carmichael will be arraigned at the jail courtroom on August 13 at 1 p.m. Any questions involving this crime should be directed to Detective Jim Hudson at 530-889-7800.

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